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SUBJ: GARBA PROMISES MORE ACTIVE NIGERIAN ROLE IN NAM

1. ADDRESSING NEWSMEN PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE THIS WEEKEND FOR NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) MEETINGS IN COLOMBO, EXTAFF COMMISSIONER GARBA PROMISED THAT NIGERIA WOULD PLAY GREATER ROLE IN NAM ACTIVITIES. COMMISSIONER INDICATED HIS COUNTRY WOULD SEEK PLACE IN NAM'S "POLICY MAKING BODY" WHERE NIGERIA, AS LARGE AND LEADING AFRICAN NATION, WOULD "BRING ITS WEIGHT TO BEAR."

2. COMMENT: NIGERIA PRESUMABLY WILL BE ANGLING IN COLOMBO FOR SEAT ON NAM COORDINATING COMMITTEE. THERE IS INDICATION FMG MAY HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY LOBBYING FOR SUCH ENHANCED NIGERIAN ROLE LAST WEEK ON EVE OF NAM MEETINGS--GARBA VISITED LIBERIA, ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF DANJUMA TRAVELLED TO GUINEA AND SIERRA
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LEONE AND TWO BRIGADIERS WENT TO OTHER (UNIDENTIFIED) AFRICAN

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